

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, June 28, 2022)

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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric Colvin
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator
ALisa Casas, Communications Director, Public Information Office

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:01 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes of June 14, 2022, as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

INTRODUCTION – ASSOCIATE JUDGE AMY D. LORENZINI

Judge Stamm formally introduced Associate Judge Amy D. Lorenzini to the Commissioners.

2. COMMENDATIONS

Commendations were presented for:

A. H.S. "Lanny" Lancaster Retirement

B. Run For Hospice

3. MAIN AGENDA ITEM

A. DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Request for Public Hearing - Proposed Cannabis Ordinance

I move that the Department of Land Use and Growth Management be authorized to schedule an evening Public Hearing on July 26 at 6:30 p.m. on the proposed Ordinance to amend Chapter 285 of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland, by adding Use 51.3.84.a. "Medical Cannabis Growing Facility"; by adding Use 51.3.84.b. "Medical Cannabis Processor"; by adding Use

51.3.76.a. "Medical Cannabis Dispensary"; by amending Chapter 90 by adding definitions of "Medical Cannabis", "Medical Cannabis Grower", "Medical Cannabis Processor" and "Medical Cannabis Dispensary".

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

4. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR JULY 12 AND 26, 2022. There will be no meetings of the Commissioners on July 5 or 19, 2022.

B. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - FY23 School Resource Officer (SRO) / Adequate Coverage Grant Application

I move to approve the FY2023 School Resource Officer / Adequate Coverage Grant for FY2023 from the Maryland State Department of Education, Maryland Center for School Safety, in the amount of \$204,369, and authorize Commissioner President to execute the related documents and staff to submit electronically.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan

Abstain: Commissioner O'Connor

C. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - FY2023 Police Accountability, Community and Transparency (PACT) Grant Application

I move to approve the grant application for the FY2023 Police Accountability, Community and Transparency (PACT) Grant Application, from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services, in the amount of \$76,796 and authorize the Commissioner President and Sheriff to execute the related documents and staff to submit electronically.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner O'Connor

D. SHERIFF'S OFFICE - FFY2022 Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement Award for the Child Support Grant

I move to approve the FFY2022 Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement Application for the Child Support Grant, from the Maryland Department of Human Services for Child Support

Enforcement in the amount of \$490,375 Federal and approximately \$297,728 County funds and authorize the Commissioner President and Sheriff to execute and submit the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan

Not Present at Vote: Commissioner O'Connor

E. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Annual Memorandum of Understanding with Visit St. Mary's MD for Tourism Responsibilities

I move to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Visit St. Mary's MD to carry out tourism related duties on behalf of St. Mary's County for FY2023 and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all relevant documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

F. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Renewal of MOA with the College of Southern Maryland for SBDC Services to Local Business Owners

I move to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the College of Southern Maryland to continue business counseling services from the Southern Maryland Small Business Development Center in St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all relevant documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric Colvin, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

G. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Transfer of Bond Allocation Authority

I move to transfer both the housing and non-housing allocations of St. Mary's County's portion of the 2022 Private Activity Bond authority to the appropriate State agencies and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all relevant documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

H. DEPARTMENT OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY2022 Senior Care Notification of Grant Award

I move to approve the Senior Care grant award, project #MD2203, from Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the Department of Aging & Human Services in the amount of \$130,925 and the related budget amendment and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

I. DEPARTMENT OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY2022 State Grants Notification of Grant Award

I move to approve the Notice of Grant Award for the state grants, Project #s MD2201, MD2202, MD2204, MD2206, and MD2214 from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services in the amount of \$83,003 to provide various programs and services to the seniors of St. Mary's County, the related budget amendments for the respective project budgets and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O'Connor

J. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Resolution Prohibiting Entitlement to any Compensation or Emolument Resulting from Service in More than One Public Office of St. Mary's County

I move that the Commissioners of St. Mary's County adopt the proposed Resolution Prohibiting Entitlement To Any Compensation or Emolument Resulting From Service in More Than One Public Office of St. Mary's County and to execute all related documents

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Morgan, O'Connor

Abstain: Commissioner Hewitt

K. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Police Accountability Board and Administrative Charging Committee - Update

Present: John Houser

Mr. Houser provided an update on State regulations for the Police Accountability Board and the Administrative Charging Committee.

5. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

I move to enter into Closed Session to discuss Personnel and Real Property

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Eric Colvin

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Morgan, O' Connor

6. CLOSED SESSION

A. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Chris Kaselemis, Director, Dept. of Economic Development
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 10:44 a.m. - 10:52 a.m.

Location: Savich Conference Room

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment or appointment of a member of a Public agency or employee.

B. REAL PROPERTY

Present: James R. Guy, President
Eric Colvin, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Todd B. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, Interim County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Dept. of Human Resources
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 10:53 a.m. - 11:21 a.m.

Phil Shire, 27212 Holly Lane, Mechanicville, MD
Don DeGraves, P.O. Box 155, Piney Point, MD
Allison Caparotta, 42134 Valley Drive, Mechanicsville, MD

Mr. Weiskopf closed the public hearing for public comment and noted that the record would remain open for public comment for an additional seven days. Commissioner President Guy closed the public hearing at approximately 7:05 p.m.

9. ADJOURN